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SUBJ: ZAIRIAN HELICOPTER PURCHASE

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1. REFTTEL REPORTED POSSIBLE ZAIRIAN AGREEMENT TO PURCHASE FOUR PUMA HELICOPTERS FROM FRANCE IN RETURN FOR PAYMENT IN COPPER. THIS INFORMATION COINCIDES WITH REPORTS THAT EMBASSY HAS RECEIVED OF GROWING EXECUTIVE COUNCIL INTEREST IN SOZACOM'S COPPER MARKETING OPERATIONS. IN FACT, RECENTLY SEVERAL HIGH RANKING MEMBERS OF SOZACOM'S KINSHASA STAFF WERE SUMMONED BY THE EXECUTIVE COUNCIL TO EXPLAIN HOW ZAIRIAN COPPER IS MARKETING AND HOW MUCH COPPER MIGHT BE IMMEDIATELY AVAILABLE.

2. AS THERE ARE CURRENTLY NO APPRECIABLE STOCKS OF COPPER IN ZAIRE'S POSSESSION, PAYING FOR THE PUMAS IN COPPER WOULD REPRESENT NO REAL SAVINGS. IT WOULD ONLY SERVE TO DIVERT RESOURCES FROM THE PRIVATE SECTOR TO THE MILITARY.
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